

To: Graham, Amy[graham.amy@epa.gov]
From: Beck, Nancy
Sent: Mon 5/22/2017 3:54:14 PM
Subject: Re: AMY - FOR REVIEW: Response to Pat Rizzuto of BNA on TSCA chemical determinations - DEADLINE 5/16, 3pm

Yes. What's your number? We would like to do it to answer her non- number questions.

Nancy B. Beck, Ph.D., DABT
Deputy Assistant Administrator, OCSPP

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On May 22, 2017, at 11:40 AM, Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov> wrote:

Hey Nancy – Do you have a minute to chat about this interview today?

From: Valentine, Julia
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 11:17 AM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Freire, JP <Freire.JP@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AMY - FOR REVIEW: Response to Pat Rizzuto of BNA on TSCA chemical determinations - DEADLINE 5/16, 3pm

Hi Amy – can you give Robert and me a quick call about this? Thank you!

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Julia P. Valentine

Assoc. Dir./Acting Dir.
U.S. EPA, Ofc of Media Relations

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From: Graham, Amy
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 11:15 AM
To: Daguiard, Robert <Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Freire, JP <Freire.JP@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AMY - FOR REVIEW: Response to Pat Rizzuto of BNA on TSCA chemical determinations - DEADLINE 5/16, 3pm

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From: Daguiard, Robert
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 11:02 AM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Cc: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Freire, JP <Freire.JP@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>
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Good morning Amy,

A quick follow-up. Nancy Beck and OCSPP were asking if this interview is OK to do.

Thanks, R.

From: Daguiard, Robert
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2017 7:51 AM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Cc: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AMY - FOR REVIEW: Response to Pat Rizzuto of BNA on TSCA chemical determinations - DEADLINE 5/16, 3pm

Good morning Amy,

A quick follow-up: Is this OK to go?

Thanks, R.

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 12:29 PM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AMY - FOR REVIEW: Response to Pat Rizzuto of BNA on TSCA chemical determinations - DEADLINE 5/16, 3pm

Yes, here are the specific interview questions, in brown. We replied to the questions in purple this morning.

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From: Rizzuto, Denise Pat
Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2017 12:01 PM
To: 'press@epa.gov' <press@epa.gov>
Subject: Reporter requesting interview with EPA on new chemicals program & requesting numerical figures to illustrate status of reviews

I have two requests: 1st an interview with Wendy Cleland-Hamnet, Jeffrey Morris, or other appropriate senior OCSPP or OPPT official regarding the new chemicals program. The interview is for a special report giving me some flexibility as to when, but I would like

to have the interview no later than May 22. It could be in person or by phone, although in person would be ideal.

2nd numerical figures about the status of PMN and MCAN reviews

I. Illustrative questions I need to ask an EPA official (*final questions may vary as I speak with more stakeholders prior to my interview with EPA*)

- 1) Do you think the number of PMNs, in particular, but also MCANs that are under review by OPPT's new chemicals program is a problem?
- 2) What health or environmental issues are raising questions as EPA reviews the new chemicals and how is that similar or different than prior to Lautenberg?
- 3) Prior to Lautenberg, I'm told the agency often tied data requests to production volume, for example, it would let a chemical enter commerce but required data once production volume hit particular targets. Now, I'm told the EPA is more often wanting the data before the chemical is allowed to enter commerce. What's EPA's perspective?
- 4) I've heard industry speakers say Lautenberg codified new chemical review practices the agency already had. Is that an accurate description?
- 5) What are the questions raised by Lautenberg, requirements the EPA must meet or presumptions about new chemicals being made that are causing the logjam?
- 6) What solutions are you considering?

II. Figures about new chemicals program that I am seeking ahead of that interview

- 7) How many PMNs were under review as of April 30, 2017.
- 8) How many MCANS were under review as of April 30, 2017.
- 9) How many PMNs, and how many MCANS have been withdrawn since June 22, 2016 (i.e. since Lautenberg went into effect)?
- 10) How many PMNs and how many MCANS have been allowed to enter commerce since June 22, 2016? (I realize these are posted, and I recently counted 63, but I want to make sure I'm counting them correctly.)
- 11) How many action letters has EPA sent since June 22, 2016?
- 12) What's the range of study types—acute, chronic, dermal, multigene repro., etc.--that the agency has said it would like to receive?

From: Graham, Amy

Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 12:24 PM

To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>

Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: AMY - FOR REVIEW: Response to Pat Rizzuto of BNA on TSCA chemical determinations - DEADLINE 5/16, 3pm

What is the interview regarding? Is it necessary to do an interview in addition to the information already provided?

Sent from my iPhone

On May 17, 2017, at 12:23 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

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I'll follow up with the reporter and see what we can set up.

Thanks, R.

From: Graham, Amy
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 11:02 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AMY - FOR REVIEW: Response to Pat Rizzuto of BNA on TSCA chemical determinations - DEADLINE 5/16, 3pm

Ok

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 10:41 AM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
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From: Graham, Amy
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 10:27 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AMY - FOR REVIEW: Response to Pat Rizzuto of BNA on TSCA chemical determinations - DEADLINE 5/16, 3pm

I think this is covered in the other response you prepared for Pat – no?

From: Daguillard, Robert

Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 10:25 AM

To: Press <Press@epa.gov>

Subject: AMY - FOR REVIEW: Response to Pat Rizzuto of BNA on TSCA chemical determinations - DEADLINE 5/16, 3pm

BACKGROUND

Nancy Beck, OPPT's new Deputy Director, has reviewed and approved the response to the second of two inquiries from Pat Rizzuto, BNA's chemicals reporter, is working on a series of stories about EPA's implementation of the Lautenberg Chemical Safety Act, the 2016 federal law that updates TSCA, the Toxic Substances Control Act. For this story, Pat is asking about the organization of program pages on reviews of Pre-Manufacturing Notifications (PMNs). TSCA requires manufacturers to file PMNs prior to commercialization of a new chemical substance. The response clarifies that EPA has made no major changes to organization of its web pages on PMNs; and is, in fact, working to expand information on chemicals registration under TSCA – Pat Rizzuto, BNA – prizzuto@bna.com

RESPONSE:

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From: prizzuto@bna.com [mailto:prizzuto@bna.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 9:20 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Is EPA no longer posting all new chemical determinations? Deadline 3 p.m. today

Effective today, the EPA changed the language on this website:
<https://www.epa.gov/reviewing-new-chemicals-under-toxic-substances-control-act-tsca/chemicals-determined-not-likely>

Among other changes, as recently as Friday, it read “Determinations under Amended TSCA” *(that phrasing means the agency would post any final determination)*

Now it reads: “Chemical substances EPA has determined are ‘not likely to present an unreasonable risk.’” *(that phrasing means the agency would post only one of 3 final determinations it is allowed to make under amended TSCA)*

Is the agency perhaps:

- 1) no longer posting any determination other than “not likely to present an unreasonable risk?”
- 2) going to establish separate websites for other possible PMN determinations?
- 3) Something else?
- 4) In short what is the rationale for limiting the information on this website and will information on other types of possible findings be posted?

Pat


[illegible]

Pat Rizzuto

Chemicals Reporter

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